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ON Tuesday the 6th Instant, the Parliament having met according to the Prorogation, his Grace the Lord Lieutenant went in State to the House of Peers, and being seated on the Throne with the usual Ceremony, his Grace sent for the Commons, and made a Speech to both Houses, who unanimously resolved upon humble and dutiful Addresses to his Majesty, which were this Day presented to his Grace.

His Grace William Duke of Devonshire, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland, his Speech to both Houses of Parliament, at Dublin, on Tuesday the 6th Day of October 1741.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

HIS Majesty, from his paternal Regard for the Welfare of this Kingdom, hath commanded me to meet you again in Parliament, in order to concert such Measures as may most effectually conduce to the Happiness and Prosperity of this Nation; and the Experience I have had in two former Sessions, leaves me no room to doubt, but that you come fully resolved to give fresh Instances of your Zeal for the publick Service, and of your inviolable Attachment to his Majesty's Royal Person and Government.

The Sickness, which hath proved so mortal in several Parts of the Kingdom, and is thought to have been principally owing to the Scarcity of wholsome Provision, must very sensibly affect his Majesty, who hath a most tender Concern for all his Subjects, and cannot but engage your serious Attention, to consider of proper Methods to prevent the like Calamity for the future; and to this desirable End the Increase of Tillage, which would at the same time usefully employ the industrious Poor, may greatly contribute.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

I have ordered the proper Officers to lay before you the Accounts and Estimates.

It is with much Satisfaction I can observe to you, that during a War, in which his Majesty is necessarily engaged for the Protection of the Trade of all his Dominions, there hath been no Increase in the Charge of the Establishment.

I doubt not, but that you will, with great Readiness, raise such Supplies as are necessary to support his Majesty's Government with Honour, and provide for the national Debt; and you may be assured Care shall be taken, that what is raised be duly applied to the Uses for which it is intended. But as it hath been found by Experience, that the Laws now in being are not sufficient to stop the iniquitous Practice of the clandestine Running of Goods, it will be well worthy of your Zeal for the Publick, to provide such Remedies as may effectually protect the fair Dealer, and prevent the Loss of any Part of those Duties which you shall think proper to grant for the publick Service.

I gave immediate Directions for providing the Twenty-thousand Firelocks and Bayonets for the Militia, pursuant to your Address of the last Session: A considerable Quantity hath been already purchased; but the Demand for Arms hath been so general throughout all Europe, that it hath not hitherto been practicable to procure the whole: However, I shall use my Endeavours to compleat the Number with the utmost Expedition.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I am fully persuaded that you will improve this Opportunity of our meeting, and second his Majesty's gracious Intentions for the Prosperity of his People of Ireland, by taking into your Consideration what Laws may yet be wanting for the Good of the Publick, and particularly whether some further Regulations may not be necessary for the increasing and extending the Hempen and Linnen Manufactures, which his Majesty is desirous to protect and encourage to the utmost.

On my Part, I shall, with the greatest Chearfulness, continue to contribute every thing in my Power to promote the Interest and Welfare of this Kingdom.

To the King's most Excellent Majesty.

The humble Address of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

WE your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subject, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, beg Leave to return our most sincere and hearty Thanks to your Majesty, for your Majesty's paternal Regard for the Welfare of this Kingdom, which we have ever happily experienced; and do assure your Majesty, that we shall make it our constant Care to deserve the Continuance of your Favour, by our Zeal for the publick Service, and our inviolable Attachment to your Royal Person and Government.

We cannot but be strongly moved by the Mortality which hath spread itself in several Parts of the Kingdom, as well as excited by your Majesty's tender Concern for your Subjects, to use our best Endeavours to find out the propereſt Means of preventing the like Calamity for the future; one of which we are sensible is the Improvement of our Tillage, as it will not only usefully employ the industrious Poor, but also secure (by the Blessing of the divine Providence) such a certain and wholsome Provision, as may contribute to hinder the Return of the like contagious Distempers.

The Importance of the Hempen and Linnen Manufactures to the Prosperity of Ireland, is too visible not to be the Object of our serious Attention; and we shall not fail to consider

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ſider what further Regulations may be neceſſary for increaſing and extending thoſe valuable Branches of our Trade, ſo as to enjoy the full Benefit of your Majeſty's Royal Protection and Encouragement; to which we are ſenſible how greatly we are indebted for their preſent Succeſs, and the Proſpect of their future Perfection.

We ſhall moſt heartily apply ourſelves to the Conſideration of ſuch other Laws as may be neceſſary, and with all Readineſs give our Concurrence to whatever Meaſures may be moſt conducive to the publick Good, being under the ſtrongeſt Obligations to improve to the beſt Advantage this Opportunity of our meeting, by ſeconding in every Inſtance in our Power your Majeſty's gracious Intentions for the Proſperity of your People of Ireland.

We take the Liberty of returning your Majeſty our moſt humble Thanks for continuing his Grace the Duke of Devonſhire in the Government of this Kingdom, who, we are by Experience convinced, will ſteadily uſe the Power committed to him, according to your Majeſty's Royal Example, for the Good of your People.

En. Sterne, Cler' Parliamentor'.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Anſwer.

My Lords,

I Will forthwith tranſmit this dutiful and loyal Addreſs to be laid before his Majeſty.

To the King's moſt Excellent Majeſty,

The humble Addreſs of the Knights, Citizens and Burgeſſes in Parliament aſſembled.

May it pleaſe your Majeſty,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects the Commons of Ireland in Parliament aſſembled, beg Leave to expreſs our grateful Senſe of your Majeſty's Paternal Regard to the Welfare of this Nation; and we aſſure your Majeſty, that we will give the ſtrongeſt Proof of our Zeal for the publick Service, by our Duty and inviolable Attachment to your Majeſty's Royal Perſon and Government.

Your Majeſty's tender Care for your Subjects in this Kingdom hath been too ſenſibly felt for us to doubt of your Concern for their late Sufferings, and we are perſuaded, that the moſt acceptable Return in our Power to make, will be to prepare ſuch Laws, as by encouraging Tillage and employing the induſtrious Poor, may be a Means for the future to prevent the like Calamity, or to ſecure them from the Conſequences of it.

Your Majeſty's great Indulgence in not adding to the Charge of this Eſtabliſhment during a War, undertaken for the Protection of the Trade of all your Majeſty's Dominions, is received with the moſt grateful Acknowledgement, and will engage your faithful Commons chearfully to raiſe ſuch Supplies, as will provide for the national Debt, and ſupport your Majeſty's Government with Honour; and, that they may prove effectual to that End, we will uſe our beſt Endeavours to put a ſtop to the clandeſtine Running of Goods, ſo pernicious to the fair Dealer, and to the publick Revenue of the Kingdom.

We return our moſt humble Thanks to your Majeſty for the Aſſurance of your Royal Favour to our Linnen and Hempen Manufactures. Duty and Gratitude, as well as our own Intereſt, will oblige us to extend to the uttermoſt, thoſe Branches of our Trade which receive your Majeſty's Protection and Encouragement.

Your Majeſty hath given a freſh Inſtance of your Goodneſs to us, by ſparing at this Time from your Councils, a Perſon, whoſe Importance there, muſt be known to us from the long and happy Experience which we have had of the Wiſdom of his Government, of the Integrity of his Conduct, and his Zeal for your Majeſty's Service. From theſe Advantages, and from our Loyalty which ſhall be anſwerable to them, we may hope and will ſtrenuouſly exert ourſelves to defeat any Attempt from our foreign or domeſtick Enemies, which may tend to interrupt your Majeſty's Meaſures, or diſturb the publick Tranquility.

Iſaac Ambroſe, } *Cl' Parl' Dom. Com.*
Burdett Worthington. }

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Anſwer.

I will take Care that this your loyal and affectionate Addreſs be laid before his Majeſty as ſoon as may be.

To his Grace William Duke of Devonſhire, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland.

The humble Addreſs of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament aſſembled.

May it pleaſe your Grace,

WE the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament aſſembled, beg Leave to return your Grace our humble Thanks for your Speech from the Throne, and to congratulate your Grace on your ſafe Return to the Government of this Kingdom.

The profound Tranquility this Nation has enjoyed during the Courſe of your Grace's Government, muſt imprint on our Minds the higheſt Honour and Regard for your Perſon, and at the ſame Time give us the moſt pleaſing Conviction of his Majeſty's Goodneſs and paternal Care for the Welfare of this Kingdom, in ſending your Grace to be the chief Governor of this his faithful and loyal People. And we aſſure your Grace that we will endeavour to ſhew the grateful Senſe we have of the many Benefits which your wiſe and juſt Adminiſtration hath procured to us, by a ready and zealous Concurrence with all your Grace's Deſigns for the Publick Good.

The compaſſionate Concern your Grace expreſſes for the Miſeries of the People, occaſioned by the late Sickneſs and Scarcity of Proviſion, as it is a noble Inſtance of the Goodneſs and Generoſity of your Mind; ſo we ſhould prove ourſelves utterly void of all publick Spirit, if we did not, by the moſt diligent and ſerious Conſideration of the Methods your Grace has recommended to us, ſtudy by all Means in our Power to prevent theſe dreadful Evils for the future; and your Grace may be aſſured that we are heartily diſpoſed to improve the Opportunity of this our preſent Meeting in Parliament, and to ſecond his Majeſty's gracious Intentions for the

the Proſperity of his People of Ireland, by preparing any new Laws that may be wanting for the Good of the Publick, by amending thoſe already in being, and by propoſing any Regulations that may be thought adviſable to increaſe and extend the Hempen and Linnen Manufactures of this Kingdom, and to make the Protection and Encouragement his Majeſty is graciouſly inclined to give to the induſtrious Endeavours of his People, as extenſive and effectual as his Majeſty in his great Goodneſs deſires it to be.

As your Grace's Adminiſtration has been a continued Series of wiſe and good Actions, by which you have manifeſted the moſt ſincere Deſire to render us a happy and flouriſhing People; ſo we promiſe your Grace, that we on our Parts will obſerve ſuch a Conduct in all our Actions and Deliberations, as ſhall fully convince the World that we are really determined to be as happy a People, as his Majeſty, by ſending us ſuch a chief Governour, intended to make us.

En. Sterne, Cler' Parliamentor'.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Anſwer.

My Lords,

IT gives me very great Pleaſure to find that my Zeal for his Majeſty's Service, and for the Proſperity of this Kingdom, have continued to me the good Opinion of your Lordſhips, which I ſhall always highly value.

To his Grace William Duke of Devonſhire, Lord Lieutenant General and General Governor of Ireland.

The humble Addreſs of the Knights, Citizens and Burgeſſes in Parliament aſſembled.

May it pleaſe your Grace,

WE his Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Ireland in Parliament aſſembled, do with the greateſt Pleaſure attend your Grace, to return our moſt hearty Thanks for your excellent Speech to both Houſes of Parliament.

From many Inſtances we are truly ſenſible of his Majeſty's paternal Regard for the Welfare of this Kingdom, and particularly in continuing the Adminiſtration in the Hands of your Grace, ſo much to the Satisfaction of his People, and giving us this Opportunity of meeting your Grace again in Parliament; and from the Experience we have had of your Grace's Wiſdom and Abilities, we doubt not, that ſuch Meaſures will be taken under your Grace's Adminiſtration, as will greatly conduce to his Majeſty's Service, and to the Happineſs and Proſperity of this Nation.

His Majeſty's tender Concern for the Sufferings of his Subjects of this Kingdom in their late Diſtreſs, cannot fail to engage the Affections of his faithful Commons, and as it was principally owing to a general Want of wholſome Proviſions, we ſhall ſeriouſly conſider of proper Methods to prevent the like Calamity for the future, particularly by encouraging the Increaſe of Tillage.

We cannot ſufficiently expreſs our Gratitude and Satisfaction in his Majeſty's great Goodneſs and your Grace's frugal Management, that no Increaſe has been made in the Charge of the Eſtabliſhment during this War, in which his Majeſty is neceſſarily engaged for the Protection of the Trade of all his Dominions; and we ſhall chearfully enter into ſuch Meaſures as ſhall be found neceſſary to provide for the national Debt, and to ſupport his Majeſty's Government with Honour, being aſſured, that under your Grace's prudent Adminiſtration, the Money raiſed will be applied for the Uſes intended.

As the Laws now in being are found inſufficient to ſtop the clandeſtine Running of Goods, we will uſe our beſt Endeavours to provide ſuch Remedies as may protect the fair Trader, and prevent the Loſs of any Part of the Duties granted for the publick Service.

We are moſt thankful for the immediate Directions given by your Grace for the providing Arms for the Militia, purſuant to the Addreſs of the laſt Seſſion of Parliament; and we are very ſenſible, that by Reaſon of the general Demand for Arms throughout all Europe, it hath not hitherto been practicable to provide the full Complement, and have no Doubt, but by your Grace's Care and Directions, what are ſtill wanting will be provided with all Expedition for the arming his Majeſty's Proteſtant Subjects of this Kingdom.

His Majeſty's Commons beg Leave to repeat their grateful Senſe of the Regard ſhewn by his Majeſty for the Welfare of this Kingdom, in encouraging them to conſider of what Laws may yet be wanting for the Good thereof; and in a particular Manner for his Royal Protection and Encouragement of the Hempen and Linnen Manufactures, the chief Support of this Nation.

Your Grace's Approbation of our former Proceedings muſt engage us to purſue ſuch Meaſures as may beſt conduce to the publick Service.

WE Permit us to return our moſt grateful Thanks for the Aſſurances you have given us of the Continuance of your Grace's good Offices for the promoting the Intereſt and Welfare of this Kingdom; and we beg Leave to aſſure your Grace, that we are moſt deſirous to give freſh Inſtances of the Satisfaction we have in your Grace's Adminiſtration, which we will endeavour to the utmoſt of our Power to make eaſy and honourable.

Iſaac Ambroſe, and } Cler' Parl'
Burdet Worthington, } Dom' Com.

His Grace the Lord Lieutenant's Anſwer.

I Return you my Thanks for this obliging Addreſs: The Zeal you ſhew for his Majeſty's Perſon and Government, lays me under the ſtrongeſt Obligations to continue to do every thing in my Power to promote the Intereſt and Welfare of this Kingdom.

Whitehall, Oct. 13. 1741.

Whereas it has been repreſented to their Excellencies the Lords Juſtices, That on the 22d of September laſt, about Two o' Clock in the Morning, John Clarke, Servant to the Widow Bice, of St. Ann's Well, near the Town of Nottingham, was ſhot, and murthered near that Place by Perſons unknown; in Order to the diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice the Perſons concerned in the ſaid Crime, their Excellencies are pleaſed to promiſe his Majeſty's Pardon to any one of the Offenders (except the Perſon who actually ſhot the ſaid Clarke) who ſhall diſcover his Accomplice or Accomplices, ſo as he or they may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

John Courand.

And as a further Encouragement for the Diſcovery of the Perſon who committed the ſaid Murther, the Corporation of Nottingham do hereby promiſe as a Reward, the Sum of Twenty Pounds; and Mundy Muſters, of Colwick,